SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 527 By Jackson

A RESOLUTION to honor Guy Nicholson for his laudable and astute service as Mayor of Hohenwald.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate for the members of this General Assembly to pause to expressly recognize those venerable public servants who have dedicated themselves to enhancing the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Guy Nicholson is one such deserving individual who evinces the greatest veracity and probity in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, having served five exemplary terms as Mayor of Hohenwald, Mayor Nicholson has recently entered into a well-deserved retirement; and

WHEREAS, Guy Nicholson was born in Lyles and raised in Kimmins; graduating from Lewis County High School, he demonstrated excellence in intellectual pursuits; and

WHEREAS, Guy Nicholson served the United States Navy with acuity and alacrity during World War II, and after being honorably discharged, he served an additional four years in the U.S. Naval Reserves; and

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WHEREAS, for 25 years, Mayor Nicholson served in the Tennessee Highway Patrol, advancing through the ranks from Trooper to Captain; and

WHEREAS, assiduously tending to the public safety of residents of Sparta, Cookeville, Crossville, and Kingsport, Guy Nicholson ably addressed issues regarding supervision, maintenance management, strike arbitration, general disturbances, evacuation plans, and alerts; and

WHEREAS, Guy Nicholson is a highly respected member of the Hohenwald community, having served for twenty years as Mayor of the City of Hohenwald; and

WHEREAS, beginning his meritorious career in city government in 1983, Mayor Nicholson was elected an astounding five times; and

WHEREAS, throughout his exemplary tenure as Mayor of Hohenwald, Guy Nicholson distinguished himself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order and as an exceptional asset to his community; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Nicholson proved himself to be an effective chief executive officer for the City of Hohenwald; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Nicholson has worked with uncommon devotion and dedication to make the City of Hohenwald the fine community that it is today; and

WHEREAS, Guy Nicholson's remarkable success as a public servant and civic leader is directly attributable to his uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life and his reliance on the time-honored values of hard work and common sense: and

WHEREAS, Mayor Guy Nicholson is a voice of integrity and an extremely giving person who often reaches out with compassion to people whom life has treated unkindly, epitomizing the ideal of the consummate professional, dedicated public servant, and reliable friend and neighbor; and

WHEREAS, his many accomplishments aside, Guy Nicholson is fortunate and grateful to share both love and companionship with his wife, Ramona DeFoe Nicholson, their children, Don

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Nicholson and Amy Ross, and their grandchildren, Matt and Emily Nicholson and Kyle Runions; and

WHEREAS, Guy Nicholson is altogether faithful to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee acknowledgment as the "Volunteer State," and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Guy Nicholson for his laudable and astute service to the City of Hohenwald as Mayor, extending to him our best wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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